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SUBJECT: SOVIET PRESS SUMMARY, MARCH 2, 1977

1. U.S. COVERAGE:

--IZVESTIYA'S R. MOSEYEV INTERVIEWS PLO
POLITICAL DEPARTMENT HEAD FARVQ QADDUMI WHO SAYS
SECRETARY VANCE'S ME TRIP DEMONSTRATED LACK OF
CHANGE IN U.S. POSITION OF SUPPORT FOR ISRAELI
EXPANSIONIST POLICY.
--A. KRIVOPALOV DISCUSSES CLIFFORD MISSION TO
CYPRUS IN IZVESTIYA'S "INTERNATIONAL COMMENTARY"
COLUMN. TRIP'S AIM WAS NOT ONLY TO CONSULT ON
CYPRUS BUT ALSO TO TRY TO SETTLE GREEK-TURKISH
CONFLICT AND IMPROVE U.S. BILATERAL RELATIONS WITH
THOSE TWO COUNTRIES. U.S. CYPRUS POLICY REFLECTS
EXCLUSIVELY INTERESTS OF PENTAGON AND NATO.
CLIFFORD'S ATHENS AIRPORT REMINISCENCE ABOUT
TRUMAN DOCTRINE PROVOKES REMINDER BY KRIVOPALOV
OF DOCTRINE'S COLD WAR SIGNIFICANCE.
HEAVY STRESS ON HUMAN RIGHTS AS AN ISSUE
COMPLICATING U.S. -SOVIET RELATIONS INCLUDES:
--GENNADIY GERASIMOV'S LITGAZ COMMENTARY ON
HOW THE PROVOCATIVE CAMPAIGN BY ENEMIES OF DETENTE
AGAINST THE SOVIET UNION IN THE NAME OF "HUMAN
RIGHTS" HAS ALARMED MANY AMERICANS. GERASIMOV BEGINS
BY NOTING THAT FIVE WEEKS HAVE GONE BY WITHOUT AN
ANSWER SINCE BLACK AUTHOR JAMES BALDWIN WROTE A
LETTER TO PRESIDENT CARTER ASKING HIM TO SHOW CON-
CERN FOR THE PLIGHTS OF IMPRISONED BLACK POLITICAL
ACTIVISTS IN THE UNITED STATES, AND ENDS BY CITING
THE CONCERN OF INDIVIDUALS LIKE VICTOR ZORZA AND
MARSHALL SHULMAN ABOUT THE EXPLOITATION OF THE
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HUMAN RIGHTS ISSUE AGAINST THE USSR;
--V. BOL'SHAKOV'S SATIRICAL PRAVDA ACCOUNT
("GUESS WHO'S COMING TO DINNER") OF HOW A WIFE
TRIES TO PERSUADE HER SOUTHERN KLU KLUX KLANSMAN
HUSBAND THAT HE NEED NOT HAVE ANY MISGIVINGS
ABOUT A SOVIET DISSIDENT SHE HAD INVITED TO DINNER: DISSIDENT
FULLY SHARES THE HUSBAND'S VIEWS ON ALL SIGNIFICANT ISSUES;
--A. MARTYNOVA'S LITGAZ REPORT ON THE CRIME IN
FLORDIA THAT LED TO A POLICE FRAME-UP OF THE BLACK
POET DELBERT TIBBS, AND
--A LENGTHY LITGAZ REVIEW BY VIKENTIIY MATVEYEV
OF BOOK BY AMERICAN WIRTER JONATHAN SHELL (PHONETIC)
ANALYZING INTERNAL POLITICAL UPHEAVALS AND SCANDALS
IN THE U.S. DURING RECENT YEARS.
OVER COVERAGE INCLUDES:
--THE FAILURE OF PRESIDENT CARTER TO FULFILL HIS
CAMPAIGN PROMISES, ESPECIALLY IN NOT CUTTING THE
MILITARY BUDGET (IZ),
--THE PENTAGON'S DETERMINATION TO FORCE THE

ARMS RACE BY GOING AHEAD WITH TESTS OF THE TOMAHAWK
CRUISE MISSILE (IZ),
--THE NEGATIVE U.S. FOREIGN TRADE BALANCE IN
JANUARY (PR),
--THE GROWING OPPOSITION WITHIN U.S. TRADE
UNIONS TO THEIR "REACTIONARY" LEADERS, AS SHOWN IN
THE CHALLENGE GEORGE MEANY IS FACING FROM EDWARD
SADLOWSKY (PR), AND
--THE RECRUITMENT BY THE CIA OF U.S. SCIENTISTS
WHO TRAVEL ABROAD (KZ).

2. MIDDLE EAST:

--PRAVDA AND KZ DESCRIBE UNSYG WALDHEIM'S
REPORT TO UNSC ON HIS ME TRIP. ACCORDING TO
ARTICLES, THE REPORT NOTED ARAB UNITY ON PLO
PARTICIPATION IN ANY DISCUSSION ON ME. SYG REPORT
ALSO ALLEGEDLY NOTED SOVIET FAITHFULNESS TO ITS ME
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PROPOSAL OF OCT 2, 1976.

--IZVESTIYA'S A. AKHMEDZIANOV REPORTS CONCLUSION
OF PAPERWORK NECESSARY TO BEGIN CONSTRUCTION OF
GAS PIPELINE FROM IRAN TO WESTERN EUROPE THROUGH
THE SOVIET UNION. STORY SAYS SOVIETS WILL USE
IRANIAN GAS AND WILL SUPPLY FRG, FRANCE, AUSTRIA, AND
CZECHOSLOVAKIA FROM SOVIET SOURCES.

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3. AFRICA:

--I. MEL'NIKOV IN PRAVDA DESCRIBES UNHRC DIS-
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CUSSION OF VIOLATION OF HUMAN RIGHTS BY SOUTH
AFRICA AND RHODESIA.

--IZVESTIYA AND KZ NOTE CENTRAL AFRICAN REPUB-
LIC DENIAL OF SUDANESE CHARGE THAT CAR IS BEING
TRANSFORMED INTO BASE FOR SUBVERSIVE ACTIVITY
AGAINST SUDAN.

4. LATIN AMERICA: --PRAVDA AND IZVESTIYA HAVE ARTICLES ON CON-
TINUED UNREST AND VIOLENCE IN EL SALVADOR IN
AFTERMATH OF ELECTIONS.

--K. PEREVOSHCHIKOV IN IZVESTIYA DESCRIBES
UNHRC CONDEMNATION OF INTERNAL POLICIES OF CHILEAN
JUNTA.

5. EUROPE:

--PRAVDA REPORTS THAT A SOVIET PARTY DELEGATION,
INCLUDING POLITBURO CANDIDATE MEMBER AND CC SECRETARY
PONOMAREV, CC SECRETARIES KATUSHEV AND ZIMYANIN, LEFT
MOSCOW FOR SOFIA FOR A "REGULAR CONFERENCE OF CC SECRETARIES
OF FRATERNAL PARTIES OF SOCIALSIST COUNTRIES." THE SOVIET
DELEGATION WAS GREETED IN SOFIA BY BULGARIAN POLITBURO
MEMBER LILOV, WHO ALSO AUTHORED A LONG ARTICLE IN PRAVDA
ON "SOCIALISM AND INDIVIDUALISM."

--PRAVDA CARRIES A LONG COMMENTARY BY YU.

KHARLANOV CALLED "USSR-FRANCE: STEPS OF COOPERATION."
THE ARTILCE, IN THE SERIES CALLED "EUROPE AFTER HELSINKI,"
STRESSES THE GROWTH OF ECONOMIC TIES IN RECENT YEARS,
MENTIONS SCI/TECH EXCHANGES, AND SAYS THAT ALL THIS
REFLECTED IN BETTER POLITICAL RELATIONS.

--IZVESTIYA REPORTS THAT THE POLISH PRESS

"HIGHLY EVALUATES" THE RESULTS OF GDR PARTY CHIEF HONECKER
TO WARSAW ON FEBRUARY 26-27.

--KZ CARRIES A TASS LONDON ITEM CRITICIZING
THE RECENT UK DEFENSE WHITE PAPER FOR ALLEGEDLY
JUSTIFYING HIGHER DEFENSE EXPENDITURES FOR OVERSEAS BASES
AND PREPAREDNESS AGAINST SUPPOSED WARSAW PACT THREAT.
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--KZ ALSO CARRIES A TASS BON ITEM BY

A. TYNPAYEV ON THE ALLEGED ACTIVITIES OF "REVANCHISTS"
IN THE FRG, WITH SUPPORT FROM CDU/CSU "CIRCLES," TO UNDER-
MINE CSCE AND DETENTE.

6. ASIA:

--IZVESTIYA REPORTS THAT THE SOVIET-CHINESE
FRIENDSHIP SOCIETY HELD A MEETING AT "FRIENDSHIP HOUSE"
TO MARK THE 50TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE SHANGHAI UPRISING.
NONE OF THOSE ATTENDING WAS NAMED.

--PRAVDA CARRIES AN ITEM FROM BANGKOK CORRESPONDENT
I. SHCHEVROV ON THE FIRST U.S.-THAI JOINT NAVAL EXERCISE
SINCE THE END OF THE VIETNAM WAR. THE ARTICLE CITES
"CERTAIN CIRCLES" IN THE U.S. AND SOUTHEAST ASIA
WHO WARN OF A "COMMUNIST THREAT" TO JUSTIFY A STRONGER U.S.
MILITARY PRESENCE.
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